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- * TO ALL OUR READERS
- * WARMEST THOUGHTS AND BEST WISHES *
- * FOR A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY *
- * AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR *

- 3B9 Juha, OH1LEG is active as 3B9/OH1LEG from Rodrigues Island (AF-017) until 7 January.He operates holiday style using SSB, RTTY and PSK31 on 160-10 metres. OSL direct to OH1LEG.
- Francis F6BLP (www.f6blp.org) will be active as 6W7SK from Senegal on 4-18 January. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres, and hopefully also on 160m. QSL via home call, direct and bureau, LoTW and eOSL.
- 8Q Max, HB9TUZ will be active as 8Q7MS from the Maldives (AS-013) from 26 December to 3 January. He will operate SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via eQSL only ("no direct, no bureau").
- C6 Rick, K6VVA will be active as C6AVA from North Bimini Island (NA-048) on 11-14 January. He will operate mainly CW with some SSB on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 metres. He may also be QRV in the NAQP CW Contest. QSL via N6AWD, direct or bureau. More information at http://www.k6vva.com/iota/na048 [TNX K6VVA]
- FO Hiro, JI1JKW will be active as FO/JI1JKW from Huahine (OC-067), French Polynesia on 23-27 December. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX JE1LFX]
- Eddy, ON4AFU will be active as HS0ZJF/8 from Koh Samui (AS-101) from 21 January to 18 February and as HS0ZJF/9 from Koh Butang (AS-126) from 20 February to 2 March. He will operate CW only on 40-10 metres with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via ON4AFU, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]
- JA Take, JI3DST reports he will be active as JS6RRR, JI3DST/JS6 and JA3YEC/JS6 from Miyako Island (AS-079) from 27 December to 7 January. He plans to operate SSB, CW, FM and maybe RTTY/PSK31 on 160-6 metres. QSL via bureau.
- LU The LU6W team (Cezar VE3LYC, Johan PA3EXX, Alex LU5WW and Luc LU1FAM) will meet in Puerto Madryn on 31 December. They hope to be operating from Isla Escondida (SA-096) between 2 and 6 January. "This expedition includes some very difficult logistics", they say, and "consequently, the above dates are approximate and can change depending on the weather conditions. Moreover, there is no guarantee that the team will be able to land". QSL via VE3LYC. QSLling instructions and further information can be found at http://lu6w.yolasite.com/

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- Santa Claus is going to have his final radio sessions from the Far

North. Look for Santa Radio (OF9X) around 14225 kHz (Europe and North America) and 21295 kHz (Asia and Europe) this coming weekend, while OH9SCL (Santa Claus Land) will stay on for a few more days after Christmas from the village of Lankojarvi, with Kimmo, OH9MDV at the controls. Santa's office is busy sending out 150 operating awards often addressed to the children of radio families (see www.qrz.com/db/OF9X for further information).

- PYOF Leo, PP1CZ will be active holiday style as PY0F/PP1CZ from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003) on 15-21 January. He plans to concentrate on 160 and 80 metres CW, with RTTY, CW and some SSB on the other bands. QSL via PP1CZ. [TNX NG3K]
- T8 Ryosei, JH0IXE will be active as T8CW from Koror (OC-009), Palau from 24 December to 6 January. He will operate mainly RTTY, PSK31 and JT65A. QSL via JA0FOX, direct or bureau.
- V3 Markus, DJ4EL will be active as V31ME from Abergris Caye (NA-073) between 3 and 17 January, with a side trip to Long Caye (NA-123) on 5-12 January. He will operate SSB on 10, 12, 15, 17 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
- VE To celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II, Canadian amateurs may use the following prefixes on 29 and 30 December: CF for VA, CG for VE, CH for VO and CI for VY.
- VK Special event callsign VI6AHR30 will be active on most bands and modes during the month of January to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Hills Amateur Radio Group. A special weekend event will be held on 26-27 January. QSL via VK6IR, direct or bureau (OQRS preferred, instructions at www.vk6ir.com).
- VP8_ant- Mike, VP8CMH/GM0HCQ has been given permission to operate as VP8ROT from Rothera Base on Adelaide Island (AN-001), Antarctica whilst his ship, the RRS James Clark Ross, is there. Look for him to be QRV on 20, 30 or 40 metres mainly CW on 22-24 December. "It is my intention to operate for about two hours each evening, from 00.15 UTC (this due to other communication commitments at the base up until this time)". Updates at www.gm0hcq.com/jcr_update.htm. QSL via GM0HCQ.
- VP9 Masa, K1GI will be active as K1GI/VP9 from Bermuda (NA-005) from 29 December to 2 January. He plans to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 160-10 metres. QSL via JG2BRI. [TNX DX World]
- W Once again Joe, K5KUA will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (NA-143) on 18-21 January. He usually operates CW only on 40-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
- XE Markus, DJ4EL will be active as XE1/DJ4EL from the Mexican State of Tlaxcala from 20 December to 2 January. He will operate SSB on 10, 12, 15, 17 and 20 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
- XV Heli, DD0VR (XV0VR) and Bigi, DE3BWR have extended their stay on Phu Quoc Island (AS-128) [425DXN 1127] until 5 January. QSL via DD0VR, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

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*** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****

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DXCC ---> The deadline for the 2012 DXCC Annual and Honor Roll listings is rapidly approaching. In order to appear in these listings, your submission must be postmarked by 31 December 2012. The current publication schedule for these lists can be found on the ARRL's Awards Blog page (http://www.arrl.org/awards-blog). At present, there are 340 current Entities on the ARRL DXCC List; Honor Roll entry level is 331 current Entities.

IOTA ---> The 2012 IOTA Contest data has now been uploaded to the IOTA database. This means that credit can be obtained for IOTA QSOs where participants submit matching contact details. Cards for these QSOs are not required.

QSL 706T ---> The QSLling process was stopped on 18 December, in order to avoid the known problems that affect the postal service over Christmas. Shipping will be resumed after 8 January, with plans to clear all of the direct requests (OQRS and traditional) by the end of that month. Bureau cards will follow starting in February. The entire log was uploaded to LoTW in August.

TX5K ---> During the weekend of 10 December, the European members of the team gathered in Goch, Germany, at the super contest station DR1A, to assemble and pack most of the equipment for the two HF operating sites on Clipperton. The gear includes ten full HF stations; the 6m station will be shipped from the U.S. The total team is now 25 persons. TX5K is expected to be QRV from 28 March to 10 March. Detailed information can be found at http://www.cordell.org/CI/

QSLs received direct or through managers: 1AOC, 2O12L, 3B9SP, 3D2C, 3V8BB, 4L1MA, 4O4A, 5H1HS (AF-032), 5H1HS/3, 5T5BV, 5U6E, 5V7SI, 6O0A, 6O3A, 6Y9X, 7O6T, 7T50I, 7X5NZ, 7Z7AB (AS-190), 9G5SI, 9J2GR, 9K9HQ, A31JY, A31KJ, A31MA, A52VM, A61Q, A92GR, AH0I, AP2NK, C50C, C5A, CO2WL, CR3E, CT9/DG3FAW, D2QR, D2QV, D64K, E51AIU, E77DX, EG5INT (EU-069), EL2DT, EL2ES, EL2MF, EL2WS, EW6DX, EY0A, FG8AR, GO3TXF, HC2/KF6ZWD, HI3TEJ, HK6F, HT9H, HV0A, J28NC, J68HZ, JI3DST/JI1 (AS-008), KH8/JA2HGY, KH8/JA2ZL, LW9DX, NH8S, OA7/DF7NX, OY1OF, P29NI (OC-099), PJ2T, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4D, PJ4G, PJ5J, PJ7I, RI1ANF, SV2ASP/A, T30PY, T30TT, T40C, T6LG, TF3ML, TF8GX, TI2CLX, TT8TT, TX6T/P (OC-063), UK/UA1ZEY, UN1L, V21C, (NA-123), V31MW, V63EPO, V63PR (OC-078), VK0TH, VK9/OH1VR, VK9CS, VK9PN, VK9XM, VK9XS, VP2ETE, VP2MMM, VP6T, VR2XMT, VU3BPZ/p, WH0/K0BBC, XV2CNH, XX9THX, YN2CC, YS1/NO7B, YT9X, YV4MP, YV7/UA9YPS, Z21GF, Z6/OH2KI, Z61AJ, Z81D, ZB2FK, ZB2JK, ZD7XF, ZD8XF, ZD9T, ZK2C, ZL7A.

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